

BIRD RINGING REPORT 1968-1969

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INTRODUCTION

This report covers the period 1 July, 1968 to 30 June, 1969. It is pleasant to report that, once again, the number of birds ringed is higher than ever before. As was hinted in last year's report (Backhurst, 1969b) some experienced ringers joined the scheme towards the end of 1968 while another came out early in 1969.

The full list of birds ringed is given in Table 1; the birds which are palearctic migrants are printed in bold type, others which are included in the palearctic fauna but which are also ethiopian are not so distinguished. The nomenclature used follows White (1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1965), a departure from previous reports but one that is considered desirable since White's lists reflect modern ideas more accurately than do the north-eastern parts of Mackworth-Praed & Grant's Handbook; moreover White's lists are to be the basis of the forthcoming AFRING list of birds (C. C. H. Elliott, *pers. comm.*).

The number of recoveries, Table 2, shows a satisfying increase. Birds ringed in previous seasons and retrapped at or near their original ringing sites are listed in Table 3.

SOME NOTES ON RINGING IN EAST AFRICA

Most birds were ringed in Kenya, a few hundred in Uganda and none at all in Tanzania. Fifteen ringers were operating in the two countries this season; most of the ethiopian species were ringed in western Kenya by P.L. & Mrs. H. A. Britton and J. F. & Mrs. L. M. Harper; smaller numbers were ringed in western Uganda by Dr. M. P. L. Fogden. Most of the ducks and waders were ringed at Lake Nakuru and at Naivasha by the Brittons, Harpers, Dr. E. D. Steel and G. C. & Mrs. D. E. G. Backhurst. Hirundines were ringed at Nairobi, Nakuru and in western Kenya.

The bulk of the Yellow Wagtails *Motacilla flava* were ringed at Nairobi and Kabete by the combined efforts of the Misses J. & D. Angwin, Mrs. L. Campbell, Dr. Steel and the Backhursts; work is progressing on a separate report on this species (Backhurst, in prep.).

One palearctic species, the Pintail Snipe *Gallinago stenura* ringed at Naivasha, was new for the Kenya list (Backhurst, 1969a); another palearctic wader, the Long-toed Stint *Calidris subminuta* caught at the same marsh at Naivasha during ringing operations, although not ringed, was also new for the national list (Backhurst & Britton, 1969). An example of the European Wryneck *Jynx torquilla* was ringed at Ng'aya in western Kenya, another first record for the country (Britton & Harper, 1969).

Britton & Harper (*loc. cit.*) record the occurrence of eight ethiopian species and one subspecies new to Kenya; three of these species have been recorded before in Kenya but with no supporting evidence. The new birds are: Blue-breasted Bee-eater *Merops variegatus*, Yellow-fronted Tinker-Bird *Pogonilus chrysoconus*, White-winged Warbler *Bradypterus graueri*, Yellow Swamp-Warbler *Chloropeta gracilirostris*, Northern Brown-throated Weaver *Ploceus castanops*, Black Bishop (Uganda race) *Euplectes gierowii ansorgei*, Brown Twin-Spot *Clytospiza monteiri*, Black-rumped Waxbill *Estrilda troglodytes*, and Bar-breasted Fire-Finch *Lagonosticta rufopicta*.

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TABLE I

BIRDS RINGED BY THE EAST AFRICA NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY RINGING ORGANISATION

Palearctic migrants in bold type.

		1968/9	Grand Total
<i>Podiceps ruficollis</i> (Pallas), Little Grebe	.	0	1
<i>Ardeola ibis</i> (L.), Cattle Egret	.	1	1
<i>A. ralloides</i> (Scopoli), Squacco Heron	.	1	1
<i>Phoenicopterus minor</i> Geoffroy, Lesser Flamingo	.	5	11
<i>Platalea alba</i> Scopoli, African Spoonbill	.	0	73
<i>Threskiornis aethiopica</i> (Latham), Sacred Ibis	.	0	7
<i>Anas capensis</i> Gmelin, Cape Wigeon	.	95	115
<i>A. erythrorhynchos</i> Gmelin, Red-billed Duck	.	0	43
<i>A. hottentotus</i> Eyton, Hottentot Teal	.	57	91
<i>A. querquedula</i> L., Garganey	.	6	7
<i>A. undulata</i> Dubois, Yellow-billed Duck	.	5	36
<i>Netta erythrophthalma</i> (Wied), African Pochard	.	1	4
<i>Accipiter badius</i> (Gmelin), Shikra	.	3	3
<i>Milvus migrans migrans</i> (Boddaert), Black Kite	.	1	1
<i>Falco biarmicus</i> Temminck, Lanner	.	2	2
<i>F. subbuteo</i> L., Hobby	.	3	3
<i>Coturnix coturnix africana</i> Temminck & Schlegel, Quail	.	0	1
<i>C. delegorguei</i> Delegorgue, Harlequin Quail	.	1	1
<i>Fulica cristata</i> Gmelin, Crested Coot	.	1	16
<i>Gallinula chloropus</i> (L.), Moorhen	.	1	1
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i> (L.), Purple Gallinule	.	2	2
<i>Charadrius asiaticus</i> Pallas, Caspian Plover	.	1	1
<i>C. dubius</i> Scopoli, Little Ringed Plover	.	10	17
<i>C. hiaticula</i> L., Ringed Plover	.	32	74
<i>C. leschenaultii</i> Lesson, Great Sand Plover	.	5	9
<i>C. mongolus</i> Pallas, Mongolian Sand Plover	.	2	4
<i>C. pallidus</i> Strickland, Chestnut-banded Sand Plover	.	0	100
<i>C. pecuarius</i> Temminck, Kittlitz's Sand Plover	.	30	136
<i>C. tricolor</i> Vieillot, Three-banded Plover	.	10	19
<i>Vanellus armatus</i> (Burchell), Blacksmith Plover	.	52	97
<i>V. spinosus</i> (L.), Spurwing Plover	.	6	11
<i>Dromas ardeola</i> Paykull, Crab Plover	.	0	2
<i>Cursorius chalcopterus</i> Temminck, Violet-tipped Courser	.	0	1
<i>Glareola pratincola</i> (L.), Pratincole	.	1	1
<i>Larus cirrocephalus</i> Vieillot, Grey-headed Gull	.	4	4
<i>Sterna leucoptera</i> Temminck, White-winged Black Tern	.	0	89
<i>S. nilotica</i> (Gmelin), Gull-billed Tern	.	0	3
<i>Himantopus himantopus</i> (L.), Black-winged Stilt	.	7	14
<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i> L., Avocet	.	0	6
<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i> (L.), Painted Snipe	.	3	3
<i>Calidris alba</i> (Pallas), Sanderling	.	0	1
<i>C. ferruginea</i> Pontoppidan, Curlew Sandpiper	.	21	96
<i>C. minuta</i> (Leisler), Little Stint	.	668	1481
<i>C. temminckii</i> (Leisler), Temminck's Stint	.	2	7
<i>Gallinago gallinago</i> (L.), Snipe	.	20	22
<i>G. nigripennis</i> (Bonaparte), African Snipe	.	25	28
<i>G. stenura</i> (Bonaparte), Pintail Snipe	.	1	1
<i>Philomachus pugnax</i> (L.), Ruff	.	1017	1574
<i>Tringa glareola</i> L., Wood Sandpiper	.	280	324
<i>T. hypoleucus</i> L., Common Sandpiper	.	27	57
<i>T. nebularia</i> (Gunnerus), Greenshank	.	1	5
<i>T. ochropus</i> L., Green Sandpiper	.	9	9
<i>T. stagnatilis</i> (Bechstein), Marsh Sandpiper	.	142	327
<i>T. terek</i> Latham, Terck Sandpiper	.	1	4
<i>Streptopelia capicola</i> (Sundevall), Ring-necked Dove	.	7	7
<i>S. decipiens</i> (Finsch & Hartlaub), Mourning Dove	.	8	8
<i>S. senegalensis</i> (L.), Laughing Dove	.	1	1
<i>Turtur afer</i> (L.), Blue-spotted Wood Dove	.	18	18
<i>T. chalcospilos</i> (Wagler), Emerald-spotted Wood Dove	.	4	6
<i>T. tympanistria</i> (Temminck & Knip), Tambourine Dove	.	10	15

		1968/9	Grand Total
<i>Centropus superciliosus</i> Hemprich & Ehrenberg, White-browed Coucal	.	2	2
<i>Chrysococcyx caprius</i> (Boddaert), Didric Cuckoo	.	8	8
<i>C. cupreus</i> (Shaw), Emerald Cuckoo	.	1	1
<i>C. klaas</i> (Stephens), Klaas' Cuckoo	.	4	4
<i>Glaucidium tephronotum</i> Sharpe, Red-chested Owllet	.	1	1
<i>Caprimulgus climacurus</i> Vieillot, Long-tailed Nightjar	.	3	3
<i>C. fossii</i> Hartlaub, Gabon Nightjar	.	0	1
<i>C. poliocephalus</i> Rüppell, Abyssinian Nightjar	.	1	1
<i>Macropygia longipennis</i> (Shaw), Standard-wing Nightjar	.	1	1
<i>Apus affinis</i> (Grey), Little Swift	.	0	162
<i>A. caffer</i> (Lichtenstein), White-rumped Swift	.	2	2
<i>Coltis macrourus</i> (L.), Blue-naped Mousebird	.	12	12
<i>C. striata</i> Gmelin, Speckled Mousebird	.	67	67
<i>Alcedo cristata</i> Pallas, Malachite Kingfisher	.	50	50
<i>Ceryle rudis</i> (L.), Pied Kingfisher	.	15	28
<i>Ceyx picta</i> (Boddaert), Pigmy Kingfisher	.	46	50
<i>Halcyon chelicuti</i> (Stanley), Striped Kingfisher	.	4	4
<i>H. leucocephala</i> (Müller), Grey-headed Kingfisher	.	4	4
<i>H. senegalensis</i> (L.), Woodland Kingfisher	.	8	8
<i>Merops albicollis</i> Vieillot, White-throated Bee-eater	.	3	3
<i>M. apiaster</i> L., Bee-eater	.	1	1
<i>M. bullocki bullockoides</i> Smith, White-fronted Bee-eater	.	4	4
<i>M. pusillus</i> Müller, Little Bee-eater	.	1	1
<i>M. superciliosus</i> L., Blue-cheeked Bee-eater	.	1	1
<i>M. variegatus</i> Vieillot, Blue-breasted Bee-eater	.	2	2
<i>Upupa epops</i> L., Hoopoe	.	0	1
<i>Gymnobucco bonapartei</i> Hartlaub, Grey-throated Barbet	.	0	1
<i>Lybius bidentatus</i> (Shaw), Double-toothed Barbet	.	7	7
<i>L. guifsobalito</i> Hermann, Black-billed Barbet	.	1	1
<i>L. lacrymosus</i> (Cabanis), Spotted-flanked Barbet	.	23	23
<i>L. leucocephalus</i> (Defilippi), White-headed Barbet	.	6	6
<i>Pogonilus bilineatus</i> (Sundevall), Golden-rumped Tinker-Bird	.	7	11
<i>P. chrysocomeus</i> (Temminck), Yellow-fronted Tinker-Bird	.	8	8
<i>P. leucomystax</i> (Sharpe), Moustached Green Tinker-Bird	.	1	1
<i>P. pusillus</i> (Dumont), Red-fronted Tinker-Bird	.	2	2
<i>Trachyphonus purpuratus</i> Verreaux, Yellow-billed Barbet	.	1	3
<i>Indicator indicator</i> (Sparrman), Greater Honey-guide	.	7	7
<i>I. minor</i> Stephens, Lesser Honey-guide	.	9	9
<i>I. variegatus</i> Lesson, Scaly-throated Honey-guide	.	1	1
<i>Campetherina nivosa</i> (Swainson), Buff-spotted Woodpecker	.	2	3
<i>C. nubica</i> (Boddaert), Nubian Woodpecker	.	6	6
<i>Dendropicos fuscescens</i> (Vieillot), Cardinal Woodpecker	.	4	4
<i>Jynx torquilla</i> L., Wryneck	.	1	1
<i>Mesopicos goertae</i> (Müller), Grey Woodpecker	.	3	5
<i>Mirafrla africana</i> A. Smith, Rufous-naped Lark	.	2	2
<i>Campephaga phoenicea</i> (Latham), Black Cuckoo Shrike	.	3	3
<i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i> (Bechstein), Drongo	.	3	3
<i>D. ludwigii</i> (Smith), Square-tailed Drongo	.	0	1
<i>Emberiza flaviventris</i> Stephens, Golden-breasted Bunting	.	4	4
<i>Amandava subflava</i> (Vieillot), Zebra Wax-bill	.	1	1
<i>Clytospiza monteiri</i> (Hartlaub), Brown Twinspot	.	7	10
<i>Cryptospiza jacksoni</i> Sharpe, Dusky Crimson-wing	.	2	2
<i>C. salvadorii</i> Reichenow, Abyssinian Crimson-wing	.	12	14
<i>C. shelleyi</i> Sharpe, Shelley's Crimson-wing	.	1	1
<i>Estrilda astrild</i> (L.), Wax-bill	.	17	17
<i>E. bengala</i> (L.), Red-cheeked Cordon-bleu	.	23	24
<i>E. erythronotos</i> (Vieillot), Black-cheeked Wax-bill	.	1	1
<i>E. ianthinogaster</i> (L.), Purple Grenadier	.	5	6
<i>E. melanotis</i> (Temminck), Yellow-bellied Wax-bill	.	9	9
<i>E. nnomula</i> Hartlaub, Black-crowned Wax-bill	.	1	3
<i>E. paludicola</i> Heuglin, Fawn-breasted Wax-bill	.	8	14
<i>E. rhodopyga</i> Sundevall, Crimson-rumped Wax-bill	.	8	8
<i>E. troglodytes</i> (Lichtenstein), Black-rumped Wax-bill	.	1	1
<i>Hypargos niveoguttatus</i> (Peters), Peters' Twinspot	.	0	1

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<i>Lagonosticta rubricata</i> (Lichtenstein), African Firefinch	1	2
<i>L. rufopicta</i> (Fraser), Brown Firefinch	5	5
<i>L. senegala</i> (L.), Red-billed Firefinch	69	76
<i>Lonchura bicolor</i> (Fraser), Black & White Mannikin	0	1
<i>L. cucullata</i> (Swainson), Bronze Mannikin	75	75
<i>Nigrita canicapilla</i> (Strickland), Grey-headed Negro-Finch	2	4
<i>Ptyelia melba</i> (L.), Green-winged Ptyilia	13	16
<i>Spermophaga ruficapilla</i> (Shelley), Red-headed Blue-bill	9	23
<i>Vidua chalybeata</i> (Müller), Indigo Bird	2	2
<i>V. macroura</i> (Pallas), Pin-tailed Whydah	17	27
<i>Serinus atrogularis</i> (A. Smith), Yellow-rumped Seed-eater	31	31
<i>S. burtoni</i> (Gray), Thick-billed Seed-eater	2	3
<i>S. citrinelloides</i> Rüpell, African Citril	5	5
<i>S. dorsostriatus</i> (Reichenow), White-bellied Canary	26	26
<i>S. mozambicus</i> (Müller), Yellow-fronted Canary	43	46
<i>S. striolatus</i> (Rüppell), Streaky Seed-eater	15	16
<i>S. sulphuratus</i> (L.), Brimstone Canary	13	13
<i>Delichon urbica</i> (L.), House Martin	16	17
<i>Hirundo abyssinica</i> Guérin, Striped Swallow	152	152
<i>H. angolensis</i> Bocage, Angola Swallow	42	46
<i>H. daurica</i> L., Red-rumped Swallow	71	72
<i>H. fuligula</i> Lichtenstein, African Rock Martin	1	1
<i>H. rustica</i> L., Swallow	1064	1845
<i>H. semirufa</i> Sundevall, Rufous-chested Swallow	4	4
<i>H. senegalensis</i> L., Mosque Swallow	1	1
<i>H. smithii</i> Leach, Wire-tailed Swallow	80	80
<i>Psalidoprocne albiceps</i> Sclater, White-headed Rough-wing	11	11
<i>P. pristoptera</i> (Rüppell), Black Rough-wing	13	13
<i>Riparia cincta</i> (Boddaert), Banded Martin	11	11
<i>R. paludicola</i> (Vieillot), African Sand Martin	507	509
<i>R. riparia</i> (L.), Sand Martin	175	929
<i>Eurocephalus anguitimens</i> Smith, White-crowned Shrike	1	1
<i>Dryoscopus cubla</i> (Shaw), Black-backed Puff-back Shrike	0	3
<i>D. gambensis</i> (Lichtenstein), Puff-back Shrike	4	4
<i>Laniarius barbarus</i> (L.), Black-headed Gonolek	18	18
<i>L. ferrugineus</i> (Gmelin), Tropical Boubou	6	13
<i>L. funebris</i> (Hartlaub), Slaty-coloured Boubou	1	1
<i>L. luehderi</i> Reichenow, Lühder's Bush Shrike	2	2
<i>Lanius collaris</i> L., Fiscal	15	15
<i>L. curvirostra</i> L., Red-backed Shrike	10	82
<i>L. excubitorius</i> Prévost & Des Murs, Grey-backed Fiscal	6	6
<i>L. minor</i> Gmelin, Lesser Grey Shrike	0	2
<i>Prionops plumata</i> (Shaw), Curly-crested Helmet Shrike	3	3
<i>Tchagra australis</i> (Smith), Brown-headed Bush-Shrike	20	20
<i>T. minuta</i> (Hartlaub), Black-cap Bush-Shrike	6	6
<i>T. senegala</i> (L.), Black-headed Bush-Shrike	6	6
<i>Malacorhynchus dohertyi</i> (Rothschild), Doherty's Bush-Shrike	2	2
<i>M. sulfureopectus</i> (Lesson), Sulphur-breasted Bush-Shrike	4	4
<i>Nilua afer</i> (Latham), Northern Brubru	1	1
<i>Anthus cervinus</i> (Pallas), Red-throated Pipit	9	23
<i>A. leucophrys</i> Vieillot, Plain-backed Pipit	2	2
<i>A. novaeseelandiae</i> Gmelin, Richard's Pipit	2	2
<i>A. trivialis</i> (L.), Tree Pipit	37	117
<i>Macronyx croceus</i> (Vieillot), Yellow-throated Longclaw	7	7
<i>Motacilla alba alba</i> L., White Wagtail	2	2
<i>M. alba vidua</i> (Sundevall), African Pied Wagtail	51	60
<i>M. capensis</i> L., Cape Wagtail	1	1
<i>M. cinerea</i> Tunstall, Grey Wagtail	0	1
<i>M. flava</i> L., Yellow Wagtail	10861	18482
<i>Batis capensis</i> (L.), Puff-back Flycatcher	0	2
<i>B. minor</i> Erlanger, Black-headed Puff-back Flycatcher	5	5
<i>B. molitor</i> (Hahn & Küster), Chin-spot Puff-back Flycatcher	5	5
<i>Bradornis pallidus</i> (Müller), Pale Flycatcher	1	1
<i>Melaenornis chocolatina</i> (Rüppell), White-eyed Slaty Flycatcher	4	8
<i>M. edoloides</i> (Swainson), Black Flycatcher	10	10

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<i>Muscicapa adusta</i> (Boie), Dusky Flycatcher	.	2	2
<i>M. aquatica</i> Heuglin, Swamp Flycatcher	.	4	4
<i>M. caerulescens</i> (Hartlaub), Ashy Flycatcher	.	1	3
<i>M. striata</i> (Pallas), Spotted Flycatcher	.	II	14
<i>Myiopterus plumbeus</i> (Hartlaub), Grey Tit Flycatcher	.	3	3
<i>Platysteira blissetti</i> (Sharpe), Jameson's Wattle-eye	.	8	28
<i>P. castanea</i> (Fraser), Chestnut Wattle-eye	.	0	10
<i>P. cyanea</i> (Müller), Wattle-eye	.	9	10
<i>P. peltata</i> Sundevall, Black-throated Wattle-eye	.	4	12
<i>Terpsiphone rufiventer</i> (Swainson), Black-headed Paradise Flycatcher	.	2	3
<i>T. viridis</i> (Müller), Paradise Flycatcher	.	8	13
<i>Trochocercus albtonotus</i> Sharpe, White-tailed Crested Flycatcher	.	2	5
<i>T. longicauda</i> (Swainson), Blue Flycatcher	.	1	1
<i>T. nigromitratus</i> (Reichenow), Dusky-crested Flycatcher	.	5	18
<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i> (L.), Great Reed Warbler	.	5	25
<i>A. boeticus</i> (Vieillot), African Reed Warbler	.	0	1
<i>A. gracilirostris</i> (Hartlaub), Lesser Swamp Warbler	.	4	4
<i>A. palustris</i> (Bechstein), Marsh Warbler	.	1	9
<i>A. rufescens</i> (Sharpe & Bouvier), Greater Swamp Warbler	.	6	6
<i>A. schoenobaenus</i> (L.), Sedge Warbler	.	54	265
<i>A. scirpaceus</i> (Hermann), Reed Warbler	.	26	315
<i>Apalis cinerea</i> (Sharpe), Grey Apalis	.	1	1
<i>A. flavida</i> (Strickland), Black-breasted Apalis	.	1	1
<i>A. pulchra</i> Sharpe, Black-collared Apalis	.	4	6
<i>Bathmocercus cerviniventris</i> (Sharpe), Black-faced Rufous Warbler	.	7	30
<i>Bradypterus cinnamomeus</i> (Rüppell), Cinnamon Bracken Warbler	.	4	4
<i>Camaroptera brachyura</i> (Vieillot), Grey-backed Camaroptera	.	55	58
<i>C. chloronota</i> Reichenow, Olive-green Camaroptera	.	7	30
<i>Chloropepla natalensis</i> Smith, Yellow Flycatcher Warbler	.	0	1
<i>C. similis</i> Richmond, Mountain Yellow Flycatcher Warbler	.	4	4
<i>Cisticola brunneum</i> Heuglin, Pectoral-patch Cisticola	.	1	1
<i>C. caruthersi</i> O. Grant, Carruther's Cisticola	.	4	4
<i>C. chiniana</i> (A. Smith), Rattling Cisticola	.	1	1
<i>C. erythrops</i> Hartlaub, Red-faced Cisticola	.	5	8
<i>C. galactotes</i> (Temminck), Winding Cisticola	.	31	31
<i>C. hunteri</i> Shelley, Hunter's Cisticola	.	0	1
<i>C. natalensis</i> (Smith), Croaking Cisticola	.	8	8
<i>C. robusta</i> (Rüppell), Stout Cisticola	.	14	14
<i>C. woosnami</i> O. Grant, Trilling Cisticola	.	3	3
<i>Eminia lepida</i> Hartlaub, Grey-capped Warbler	.	20	21
<i>Eremomela icteropygia</i> (Lafresnaye), Yellow-bellied Eremomela	.	1	1
<i>Hippolais icterina</i> (Vieillot), Icterine Warbler	.	2	2
<i>H. languida</i> (Hemprich & Ehrenberg), Upcher's Warbler	.	0	2
<i>H. pallida</i> (Hemprich & Ehrenberg), Olivaceous Warbler	.	7	20
<i>Hylia prasina</i> (Cassin), Green Hylia	.	0	5
<i>Phylloscopus budongoensis</i> (Seth Smith), Uganda Woodland Warbler	.	1	1
<i>P. trochilus</i> (L.), Willow Warbler	.	140	327
<i>P. umbrovirens</i> (Rüppell), Brown Woodland Warbler	.	1	5
<i>Prinia bairdii</i> (Cassin), Banded Prinia	.	6	13
<i>P. leucopogon</i> (Cabanis), White-chinned Prinia	.	2	2
<i>P. subflava</i> (Gmelin), Tawny-flanked Prinia	.	19	22
<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i> (L.), Blackcap	.	23	49
<i>S. borin</i> (Boddaert), Garden Warbler	.	149	544
<i>S. communis</i> Latham, Whitethroat	.	2	11
<i>S. nisoria</i> (Bechstein), Barred Warbler	.	1	7
<i>Sylvietta brachyura</i> Lafresnaye, Crombec	.	3	3
<i>S. leucophrys</i> Sharpe, White-browed Crombec	.	2	2
<i>S. whytii</i> Shelley, Red-faced Crombec	.	3	3
<i>Alcippe abyssinica</i> (Rüppell), Abyssinian Hill Babbler	.	8	11
<i>Trichastoma albipecta</i> (Reichenow), Scaly-breasted Illadopsis	.	2	23
<i>T. fulvescens</i> (Cassin), Brown Illadopsis	.	3	10
<i>T. pyrrhoptera</i> (Reichenow & Neumann), Mountain Illadopsis	.	2	3
<i>T. rufipennis</i> (Sharpe), Pale-breasted Illadopsis	.	3	16
<i>Turdoides jardinei</i> (Smith), Arrow-marked Babbler	.	1	1
<i>T. melanops</i> (Hartlaub), Black-lored Babbler	.	2	2

	1968/9	Grand Total
<i>T. plebejus</i> (Kretzchmar), Brown Babbler	25	25
<i>Alethe archeri</i> (Sharpe), Archer's Robin Chat	1	1
<i>A. poliocephala</i> (Bonaparte), Brown-chested Alethe	10	39
<i>A. poliophrys</i> Sharpe, Red-throated Alethe	1	1
<i>Cercotrichas hartlaubi</i> (Reichenow), Brown-backed Scrub Robin	2	3
<i>C. leucophrys</i> (Vieillot), Red-backed Scrub Robin	20	20
<i>C. quadrovirgata</i> (Reichenow), Eastern Bearded Scrub Robin	0	5
<i>Cossypha caffra</i> (L.), Robin Chat	9	15
<i>C. cyanocampter</i> (Bonaparte), Blue-shouldered Robin Chat	5	12
<i>C. heuglini</i> Hartlaub, White-browed Robin Chat	42	48
<i>C. natalensis</i> Smith, Red-capped Robin Chat	0	37
<i>C. niveicapilla</i> (Lafresnaye), Snowy-headed Robin Chat	8	10
<i>C. polioptera</i> Reichenow, Grey-winged Robin Chat	0	1
<i>Luscinia luscinia</i> (L.), Sprosser	0	4
<i>L. megarhynchos</i> Brehm, Nightingale	2	6
<i>Monticola saxatilis</i> (L.), Rock Thrush	3	10
<i>Myrmecocichla nigra</i> (Vieillot), Sooty Chat	1	1
<i>Neocosmopsychus poensis</i> (Strickland), White-tailed Ant Thrush	2	3
<i>Oenanthe isabellina</i> (Temminck & Langier), Isabelle Wheatear	2	3
<i>O. oenanthe</i> (L.), Wheatear	6	16
<i>O. pleschanka</i> Lepeschin, Pied Wheatear	2	2
<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i> (L.), Redstart	13	18
<i>Pogonocichla stellata</i> (Vieillot), White-starred Bush Robin	12	24
<i>Saxicola rubetra</i> (L.), Whinchat	11	47
<i>S. torquata</i> (L.), Stonechat	2	2
<i>Sheppardia aequatorialis</i> (Jackson), Equatorial Akalat	8	37
<i>Turdus abyssinicus</i> (L.), Olive Thrush	12	27
<i>T. pelios</i> Bonaparte, African Thrush	5	6
<i>T. piaggiae</i> Bouvier, Abyssinian Ground Thrush	0	6
<i>Anthreptes collaris</i> (Vieillot), Collared Sunbird	3	1
<i>Nectarinia alinae</i> (Jackson), Blue-headed Sunbird	7	7
<i>N. bifasciata</i> (Shaw), Little Purple-banded Sunbird	13	13
<i>N. cuprea</i> (Shaw), Copper Sunbird	64	65
<i>N. erythrocera</i> Hartlaub, Red-chested Sunbird	81	81
<i>N. kilimensis</i> Shelley, Bronze Sunbird	11	12
<i>N. mariquensis</i> (Smith), Mariqua Sunbird	57	59
<i>N. mediorictis</i> (Shelley), Eastern Double-collared Sunbird	26	28
<i>N. olivacea</i> (Smith), Olive Sunbird	7	33
<i>N. preussi</i> (Reichenow), Northern Double-collared Sunbird	13	13
<i>N. pulchella</i> (L.), Beautiful Sunbird	26	26
<i>N. regia</i> (Reichenow), Regal Sunbird	2	2
<i>N. reichenowi</i> (Fischer), Golden-winged Sunbird	0	1
<i>N. senegalensis</i> (L.), Scarlet-chested Sunbird	54	57
<i>N. tacazza</i> (Stanley), Tacazze Sunbird	13	13
<i>N. venusta</i> (Shaw & Hodder), Variable Sunbird	8	8
<i>N. verticalis</i> (L.), Green-headed Sunbird	14	15
<i>Oriolus larvatus</i> Lichtenstein, Black-headed Oriole	1	1
<i>O. oriolus</i> (L.), Golden Oriole	3	4
<i>Parus albiventris</i> Shelley, White-bellied Tit	2	2
<i>Amblyospiza albifrons</i> (Vigors), Grosbeak Weaver	1	1
<i>Anomalospiza imberbis</i> (Cabanis), Parasitic Weaver	8	8
<i>Euplectes albonotatus</i> (Cassin), White-winged Widow Bird	14	14
<i>E. ardens</i> (Boddaert), Red-collared Widow Bird	10	11
<i>E. axillaris</i> (Smith), Fan-tailed Widow Bird	50	50
<i>E. gierowii</i> Cabanis, Black Bishop	17	17
<i>E. hordeaceus</i> (L.), Black-winged Red Bishop	15	15
<i>E. jacksoni</i> Sharpe, Jackson's Widow Bird	3	3
<i>E. macrourus</i> (Gmelin), Yellow-mantled Widow Bird	3	3
<i>E. orix</i> (L.), Red Bishop	3	3
<i>Malimbus rubriceps</i> (Sundevall), Red-headed Weaver	1	1
<i>Passer eminibey</i> (Hartlaub), Chestnut Sparrow	6	6
<i>P. griseus</i> (Vieillot), Grey-headed Sparrow	59	64
<i>P. iagoensis</i> (Gould), Kenya Rufous Sparrow	2	2
<i>Plocepasser mahali</i> Smith, Stripe-breasted Sparrow Weaver	2	2
<i>Ploceus alienus</i> (Sharpe), Strange Weaver	2	2

		1968/9	Grand Total
<i>P. baglafecht</i> (Daudin), Emin's & Reichenow's Weavers	.	50	75
<i>P. bicolor</i> Vieillot, Dark-backed Weaver	.	0	1
<i>P. bojeri</i> (Cabanis), Golden Palm Weaver	.	1	1
<i>P. castanops</i> Shelley, Northern Brown-throated Weaver	.	4	4
<i>P. cucullatus</i> (Müller), Black-headed Weaver	.	178	178
<i>P. intermedius</i> Rüppell, Masked Weaver	.	77	77
<i>P. jacksoni</i> Shelley, Golden-backed Weaver	.	90	90
<i>P. luteolus</i> (Lichtenstein), Little Weaver	.	2	2
<i>P. melanoccephalus</i> (L.), Yellow-backed Weaver	.	395	425
<i>P. melanogaster</i> Shelley, Black-billed Weaver	.	1	5
<i>P. nigricollis</i> (Vieillot), Black-necked Weaver	.	3	3
<i>P. ocularis</i> Smith, Spectacled Weaver	.	44	47
<i>P. pelzelni</i> (Hartlaub), Slender-billed Weaver	.	101	101
<i>P. superciliosus</i> (Shelley), Compact Weaver	.	3	3
<i>P. velatus</i> Vieillot, Vitelline Masked Weaver	.	5	5
<i>P. xanthops</i> (Hartlaub), Holub's Golden Weaver	.	5	7
<i>Quelea cardinalis</i> (Hartlaub), Cardinal Quelea	.	42	42
<i>Q. erythrops</i> (Hartlaub), Red-headed Quelea	.	43	49
<i>Q. quelea</i> (L.), Red-billed Quelea	.	72	73
<i>Andropadus curvirostris</i> Cassin, Cameroon Sombre Greenbul	.	5	19
<i>A. importunus</i> (Vieillot), Zanzibar Sombre Greenbul	.	7	10
<i>A. latirostris</i> Strickland, Yellow-whiskered Greenbul	.	115	322
<i>A. montanus</i> Reichenow, Shelley's Greenbul	.	3	7
<i>A. tephrolaemus</i> (Grey), Olive-breasted Mountain Greenbul	.	4	19
<i>A. virens</i> Cassin, Little Greenbul	.	2	24
<i>Bleda syndactyla</i> Swainson, Bristle Bill	.	6	13
<i>Chlorocichla flavicollis</i> Swainson, Yellow-throated Leaf-Love	.	17	17
<i>C. flavigaster</i> (Smith), Yellow-bellied Greenbul	.	1	5
<i>Phyllastrephus baumannii</i> Reichenow, Toro Olive Greenbul	.	2	7
<i>P. debilis</i> (Sclater), Smaller Yellow-streaked Greenbul	.	0	3
<i>P. Fischeri</i> (Reichenow), Fischer's Greenbul	.	12	45
<i>P. strepitans</i> (Reichenow), Northern Brownbul	.	5	7
<i>P. terrestris</i> Swainson, Brownbul	.	0	7
<i>Pycnonotus barbatus</i> (Desfontaines), Dark-capped Bulbul	.	379	420
<i>Buphagus erythrorhynchus</i> (Stanley), Red-billed Oxpecker	.	2	2
<i>Cinnyricinclus leucogastra</i> (Boddart), Violet-backed Starling	.	30	33
<i>Creatophora cinerea</i> (Menschen), Wattled Starling	.	5	5
<i>Lamprotornis chloropterus</i> Swainson, Lesser Blue-eared Glossy Starling	.	0	2
<i>L. caudatus</i> (Müller), Rüppell's Long-tailed Glossy Starling	.	3	3
<i>Spreo superbus</i> (Rüppell), Superb Starling	.	3	3
<i>Zosterops abyssinicus flavilateralis</i> (Reichenow), Yellow White-eye	.	5	11
<i>Z. senegalensis jacksoni</i> (Neumann), Green White-eye	.	12	14
<i>Z. s. kikuyuensis</i> (Sharpe), Kikuyu White-eye	.	3	5
TOTAL	.	19 873	33 985
TOTAL PALEARCTIC MIGRANTS	.	14 878	27 376
TOTAL NUMBER OF SPECIES	.	323	360
TOTAL PALEARCTIC SPECIES	.	49	57

TABLE 2
RECOVERIES AND CONTROLS OF BIRDS RINGED IN EAST AFRICA

Key to symbols and terms

Ring number :	—	Where this is in italics the ring has been returned.
Age :	f.g.	— full grown, age uncertain;
	ad.	— adult, at least one year old;
	pull.	— young, not able to fly freely;
	juv.	— juvenile, able to fly freely;
	1st W.	— first winter.
Sex :	♂	— male.
	♀	— female.
Manner of recovery :	+	— shot or killed by man;
	×	— found dead or dying;

xA	— found long dead;
/?	— manner of recovery unknown;
v	— caught or trapped and released with ring;
o	— caught or trapped alive and not released, or released but with ring removed.

Date of recovery : — Where this is unknown, the date of the reporting letter is given in brackets.

A recovery in the strict sense is a ringed bird found dead, whether by the ringer himself or reported by a member of the public; a control is a bird ringed by one ringer and retrapped by another, or a bird retrapped by the original ringer at a point more than three miles from the locality where it was first ringed.

Charadrius pecuarius Kittlitz's Sand Plover

A. 3416 f.g. 20.4.68 Lake Nakuru, Kenya. $0^{\circ}20'S.$, $36^{\circ}06'E.$ DJP.
 /?/ 6.4.69 Lake Elmenteita, Kenya. $0^{\circ}27'S.$, $36^{\circ}15'E.$ 23 km SE. (Paul Kihika)

Calidris minuta Little Stint

A. 0773 f.g. 3.3.67 Lake Nakuru, Kenya. JBS.
 v 1.1.69 LNaiasha, Kenya. $0^{\circ}46'S.$, $36^{\circ}20'E.$ 58 km SE. (GCB)

Tringa glareola Wood Sandpiper

B. 5638 ad. 12.4.69 Lake Nakuru, Kenya. EDS.
 /?/ 0.9.69 near Mezen', Arkhangelsk' Region, U.S.S.R. $65^{\circ}50'N.$, $44^{\circ}17'E.$
 (Ringing Centre, Moscow)

Tringa hypoleucus Common Sandpiper

A. 4997 f.g. 14.4.68 Lake Nakuru, Kenya. GCB.
 + 28.5.68 near Chaikovskii, Perm' Region, U.S.S.R. $56^{\circ}46'N.$, $54^{\circ}08'E.$
 (Ringing Centre, Moscow)

Philomachus pugnax Ruff

B. 0617 f.g. 6.5.68 Lake Nakuru, Kenya. DJP.
 /?/ 10.10.68 Roberts' Camp, Lake Baringo, Kenya. $0^{\circ}40'N.$, $36^{\circ}00'E.$ 105 km N.
 (Mrs. B. Roberts).

B. 5553 ad♀ 8.2.69 Lake Nakuru, Kenya. EDS.
 + 20.5.69 near Berdigestyakh, Gornyi District. Yakutian A.S.S.R., U.S.S.R.
 $62^{\circ}07'N.$, $126^{\circ}39'E.$ (Ringing Centre, Moscow)

Hirundo abyssinica Striped Swallow

J. 22240 f.g. 11.2.69 Kabete, Kenya (at roost). $1^{\circ}14'S.$, $36^{\circ}45'E.$ EDS.
 v 25.2.69 Kabete—flew into house, caught, then released with ring.

J. 2294? — 20.3.69 Kabete, Kenya (at roost). EDS.
 v 17.5.69 Nairobi (St. Andrew's Church) $1^{\circ}16'S.$, $36^{\circ}48'E.$ 13 km SE.
 (Alfred Mathu). The finder did not note the final digit of the number.

Hirundo rustica Swallow

J. 19928 juv. 31.10.68 Kariobangi, Nairobi. $1^{\circ}15'S.$, $36^{\circ}53'E.$ GCB.
 /?/ 12. 6.69 near Chukhloma, Kostroma Region, U.S.S.R. $58^{\circ}44'N.$, $42^{\circ}42'E.$
 (Ringing Centre, Moscow)

J. 21474 juv. 1.11.68 Kariobangi Nairobi. GCB.
 + 14.10.69 Busia, Uganda. $0^{\circ}28'N.$, $34^{\circ}05'E.$ 365 km NW. (P.A.A. Malingu)

J. 25893 f.g. 12.12.69 Lake Nakuru, Kenya. PLB & JFH.
 x 19. 2.68 Nakuru Sewage Farm. (Njoroge Kiarie)

J. 25897	juv.	12.12.68 /?/ 3. 5.69	Lake Nakuru, Kenya. PLB & JFH. near Tjuratam, Kzyl-orда District, Kazakh S.S.R., U.S.S.R. 45°40'N., 63°16'E. (Ringing Centre, Moscow)
J. 27056	ad.	28.12.68 /?/ 26. 7.69	Lake Nakuru, Kenya. PLB. near Tskhaltubo, Georgian S.S.R., U.S.S.R. 55°08'N., 48°01'E. (Ringing Centre, Moscow)
Riparia paludicola African Sand Martin			
J. 26119	ad.	26.12.68 v 15. 8.69	Lake Nakuru Kenya. PLB. Kipsigis Tugen Farm, near Nakuru. (David arap Towett)
J. 28230	juv.	28.6.69 v 15.8.69	Lake Nakuru, Kenya. PLB. as J. 26119: both these birds flew into a house and were caught together.
Riparia riparia Sand Martin			
J. 7066	f.g.	16.4.67 /?/ 20.6.69	Entebbe, Uganda. 0°05'N., 32°30'E. DJP. near Sorochinsk, Orenburg Region, U.S.S.R. 52°26'N., 53°11'E. (Ringing Centre, Moscow)
Motacilla flava Yellow Wagtail			
J. 5653	ad. ♂	8.12.68	Kariobangi, Nairobi. GCB.
	<i>lutea</i>		
	+	23.8.69	near Raevskii, Bashkirian A.S.S.R., U.S.S.R. 54°04'N., 54°11'E. (Ringing Centre, Moscow)
J. 10171	f.g. ♀	12.2.69	Kabete, Kenya (at roost). GCB.
	<i>flava</i>		
	x		
	(window)	19.2.69	Nairobi, Kenya c. 12 km S. (I. Wahlström)
J. 14853	ad. ♂	13.2.68	Kabete, Kenya (at roost). EDS.
	<i>flava</i>		
	xA	0.5.69	near Sechenovo, Gorkii Region, U.S.S.R. 55°12'N., 45°54'E. (Ringing Centre, Moscow)
J. 10735	ad. ♀	23.2.69	Kariobangi, Nairobi, Kenya. GCB.
	/?/ 12.8.69		near Narym, Parabel District, Tomsk Region, U.S.S.R. 58° 53'N., 81° 36'E. (Ringing Centre, Moscow)
J. 29046	ad. ♀	13.3.69	Kabete, Kenya (at roost). EDS.
	+	20.6.69	near Yalchiki, Chuvashian A.S.S.R., U.S.S.R. 55° 08'N., 48°01'E. (Ringing Centre, Moscow)
J. 18236	ad. ♀	26.4.69	Kariobangi, Nairobi, Kenya. LC.
	/?/ 22.5.69		near Shemysheika, Penza Region, U.S.S.R. 52°54'N., 45°24'E (Ringing Centre, Moscow)

TABLE 3

BIRDS RETRAPPED FROM PREVIOUS SEASONS

<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
<i>Calidris minuta</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10
<i>Tringa glareola</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
<i>T. stagnatilis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
<i>Motacilla flava</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	195
<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

Except for some of the *Motacilla flava*, all the above were retrapped where ringed; some of the *M. flava* showed movements of a few kilometres between roosts, and roosts and feeding sites.

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TABLE 4

RECOVERIES IN EAST AFRICA OF BIRDS RINGED ABROAD

This list includes some further additions to the recoveries of birds ringed abroad prior to 1 July, 1967 (Backhurst, 1969b.)

The signs and symbols are the same as those used in Table 2.

Ciconia ciconia	White Stork			
<i>Zagreb</i>				
D. 102368	pull. /?	15.6.55 18.9.56	Balimbegova, Skopje, Yugoslavia. 42°00'N., 21°30'E. Itobo, Nzega District, Tanzania. 4°59'S., 32°48'E.	
<i>Zagreb</i>				
D. 106069	pull. v	4. 6.62 5.11.62	Aradac, Zrenjanin, Yugoslavia. 45°25'N., 20°24'E. Karamoja District, Uganda. c. 0°45'N., 31°58'E.	
Larus fuscus	Lesser Black-backed Gull			
<i>Göteborg</i>				
D. 45945	pull.	26.6.60	Spjutsö, Bräkne Hoby, Blekinge, Sweden. 56°08'N., 15°02'E.	
	x	1.10.60	Musoma, Tanzania. 1°31'S., 33°48'E.	
<i>Stockholm</i>				
8.009.210	pull. +	5. 7.62 24.9.62	Låggrund, Öregrundsgrepen, Uppland, Sweden. c. 60°27'N., 18°18'E. Lake Salisbury, Soroti, Teso District, Uganda. 1°40'N., 34°00'E.	
<i>Helsinki</i>				
H-55.916	pull. x	3. 7.66 22.8.68	Gamlakarleby, (Vasa), Finland. 63°50'N., 23°06'E. Agwatta, Uganda. 1°59'N., 33°00'E.	
<i>Helsinki</i>				
H-93.014	pull. x	13. 7.68 25.11.68	Västerskär, Tjöck (Vasa), Finland. Nyamazugo, Geita District, Tanzania. 0°30'S., 32°30'E.	

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